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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

CALTRANS ANNOUNCES NIGHT CLOSURES ON ROUTE 169 IN HUMBOLDT COUNTY

Eureka – Caltrans announced that Route 169 will be closed approximately 14 miles west (downriver) of Weitchpec from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. starting Monday, March 31 through Thursday, April 3 and from Monday, April 7 through Thursday, April 10. The closure will be from Post Mile 19.3 to Post Mile 19.7.

Caltrans is closing the road to allow geotechnical drilling. This drilling is in preparation for replacement of a retaining wall on Route 169. Caltrans is performing the drilling at night to minimize impacts to the traveling public. In addition, Caltrans will be using two drill rigs to finish the work as soon as possible. Measures will be taken to allow for emergency vehicle access during the closures.

For questions about these closures, please call Kathleen Sartorious, Caltrans Native American Liaison, at 707-445-5815.

For the most current information on all California State Highways, please call 1-800-GAS-ROAD (1-800-427-7623) or visit www.dot.ca.gov/hq/roadinfo.

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